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sought on the invention ENTITLED:  
**SIGNAL REPRODUCING/RECORDING/TRANSMITTING METHOD AND APPARATUS AND SIGNAL RECORDING MEDIUM**  
the specification of which

\_\_\_\_\_ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_,

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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